



Dear Friend,

Warm greetings from Anakbayan New Jersey! As we settle back into our East Coast pace after a successful and activating Anakbayan-USA 2nd National Congress and Kabataan Magkaisa Conference in Seattle, we would like to take a moment to thank our comrades and communities for sustaining our work towards National Democracy by helping us get there. The congress and conference were great examples of how our work brings progressive youth, students, and allies alike together to engage in achieving genuine justice and change at home and abroad.

As Philippine Solidarity Week approaches, we are reaching out to you — our friends and allies in the struggle — to continue to help us foster and strengthen our solidarity work. This week of action is a yearly event convened by BAYAN-USA, which commemorates the Philippine-American War and the ongoing struggle of Filipino people for liberation from the forces of bureaucrat capitalism, imperialism, and feudalism. The event serves as a grounds for Anakbayan NJ to collaborate and connect beyond our general membership, extending our reach to allies throughout the northeast region.

As a grassroots and comprehensive Filipino youth-and-student organization, we aim to expand our work and our reach by strengthening our work here in New Jersey as well as effectively propagating our national campaigns; it is our goal to broaden our solidarity networks and collaborate with initiatives and organizations who hold similar ideals in order to achieve our collective goals of liberation for our communities. However, we cannot do it without your help.

Leading up to and during Philippine Solidarity Week, we hope you will consider making a personal one-time donation or a long-term investment by becoming a monthly sustainer by visiting Anakbayannj.com/support-us.

Additionally, we hope to see you at our open mic and fundraiser event, Upsurge, hosted by Anakbayan NJ; People's Organizing for Progress; and Peers Educating Peers on Saturday, February 13th from 5-8 PM at Intrinsic Cafe located at 5 Sussex Avenue in Newark, NJ. For more information, please visit Facebook.com/NJPhilippineSolidarity.

Sulong sa daluyong!

In solidarity,

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